

## Remarks

### In the Specification

The disclosure is amended at the Examiner's request to change the spelling of each occurrence of "aluminium" to "aluminum", "vapour" to "vapor", "vaporised" to "vaporized", "vaporising" to "vaporizing", "vaporiser" to "vaporizer", "vaporisers" to "vaporizers", "vaporisable" to "vaporizable", and "vaporisation" to "vaporization". These words are found on pages 3-8 and the paragraph that bridges pages 17 and 18 of the disclosure.

### In the Claims

Claims 1-20 were pending.

Claims 1, 7 and 13 are amended.

Claims 3, 4, 15, 17 and 20 are cancelled.

Claims 2, 5, 6, 8-12, 14, 16, 18 and 19 are as previously presented.

The application now contains claims 1, 2, 5-14, 16, 18 and 19.

Claim 1 is amended to incorporate the limitations of claim 3 "wherein the metallically reflecting material is selected from Ag, Al, Au, Cu, Cr, Ge, Mo, Ni, Ti, Zn, alloys thereof, graphite, Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and MoS<sub>2</sub>" and the limitations of claim 4 "the thickness of the core is from 20 to 100 nm". Claim 1 is also amended for clarity by inserting the term "platelet-like" in line 1. Support is on page 9, line 19 of the Specification.

Claim 7 is amended to change the spelling of "vapour" to "vapor" and "aluminium" to "aluminum".

Claim 13 is amended to change its dependency to claim 1.

No new matter is added.

## **Objections**

Both the specification and claim 7 are objected to for containing British spellings of aluminum, vapour, and words related to vaporize and vaporization. While the MPEP allows for the presence of British spellings, Applicants have changed each occurrence of these words to the American spelling.

Applicants therefore kindly ask that the objections to the Specification and claim 7 be withdrawn.

## **Rejections**

Claims 1-3, 5-9, 14 and 16 are rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Bujard, et. al., US Pat Pub No. US 2005/0252410.

Claims 1, 2, 10, 12 and 20 are rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Bujard, et. al., US Pat Pub No. US 2005/0287090.

Applicants respectfully traverse the rejections.

Applicants appreciate the detail provided by the Examiner in the present Action and note with gratitude the Examiner's invitation for Applicants to file a declaration stating that disclosed but unclaimed material in the cited art was invented by an inventor of the instant application and therefore not by another. At this time however, it is Applicants preference to traverse the rejections with the above amendments as discussed below.

The Examiner indicates that claims 4, 11, 13, 15 and 17 would be allowable if rewritten as independent claims incorporating the limitations of all intervening claims. Paragraph 14 of the present Action also relates the Examiner's view regarding the lack of disclosure in the art of:

A platelet-shaped pigment with a core of a metallically reflecting material of Ag, Al, Au, Cu, Cr, Ge, Mo, Ni, Ti, Zn, alloys thereof, graphite, Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and MoS<sub>2</sub> and a thickness of 20 to 100 nm.

Claim 1 has been amended to include all the limitations of claims 3 and 4 and now recites a

"platelet like pigment ....wherein the metallic reflecting material is selected from Ag, Al, Au, Cu, Cr, Ge, Mo, Ni, Ti, Zn, alloys thereof, graphite, Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and MoS<sub>2</sub> and the thickness of the core is from 20 to 100 nm."

In light of the amendments, claims 3, 4, 15, 17 and 20 are cancelled as being redundant.

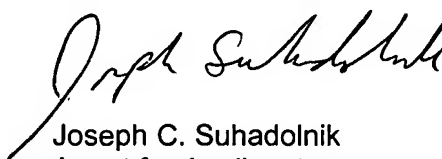
All other remaining claims are dependent from claim 1 and share all of the limitations.

In light of the above amendments Applicants respectfully submit that no anticipation by Bujard, et. al., US Pat Pub No. US 2005/0252410 or Bujard, et. al., US Pat Pub No. US 2005/0287090 exists and kindly ask that the rejections under 35 USC 102(e) be withdrawn.

In light of the above amendments and discussion, Applicants kindly ask that all objections and rejections be withdrawn and claims 1, 2, 5-14, 16, 18 and 19 be found allowable.

In the event that minor amendments will further prosecution, Applicants request that the examiner contact the undersigned representative.

Respectfully submitted,



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